

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**
(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

Application Number	10574522
Filing Date	2006-04-03
First Named Inventor	Claude Ritter
Art Unit	1795
Examiner Name	Bruce F. Bell
Attorney Docket Number	007147.00331

U.S.PATENTS

Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Patent Number	Kind Code ¹	Issue Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1	4417958		1983-11-29	Arnason, et al.	
	2	5378326		1995-01-03	Kumpalainen	
	3	5405506		1995-04-11	Kumpalainen	
	4	6436270	B1	2002-06-20	Sander	

If you wish to add additional U.S. Patent citation information please click the Add button.

U.S.PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS

Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Publication Number	Kind Code ¹	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1	20070034520	A1	2007-02-15	Ritter, et al.	

If you wish to add additional U.S. Published Application citation information please click the Add button.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial*	Cite No	Foreign Document Number ³	Country Code ²	Kind Code ⁴	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁵

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)		Application Number	10574522
		Filing Date	2006-04-03
		First Named Inventor	Claude Ritter
		Art Unit	1795
		Examiner Name	Bruce F. Bell
		Attorney Docket Number	007147.00331

	1	29910803	DE	U1	1999-10-21	VAW Aluminium-Technologie GmbH		<input type="checkbox"/>
	2	2040593	RU	C1	1995-07-25	Aluminium Magnesium Electrode Ind		<input type="checkbox"/>
	3	2093611	RU	C1	1997-10-20	Bratski Aluminium Wks Co Ltd.		<input type="checkbox"/>
	4	1611992	SU	A1	1990-12-07	Petukhov-Mikhail-P		<input type="checkbox"/>

If you wish to add additional Foreign Patent Document citation information please click the Add button

NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, pages(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	Ts
	1		<input type="checkbox"/>

If you wish to add additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button

EXAMINER SIGNATURE

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
--------------------	-----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. ² Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ³ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁴ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁵ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.